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## Why I Like Duxbury

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### WHY I LIKE DUXBURY

By Dixon White

Duxbury is many things to me and my family. It is a Colonial home on a quiet street. It is a white sail on blue water. It is a winnowing black duck at sunset. It is a rural mailbox standing sentry duty on a rose covered arbor.

Duxbury is a lonely sweep of beach. It is a gnarled pitch pine or a blackjack oak. Duxbury is an autumnal cranberry bog. It is the laughter of children in the distance on a winter day. It is the smell of salt and the sound of surf. It is the feeling of hot sand under bare feet.

Duxbury is a stately white church rising out of green foliage. But Duxbury is more than all this. Duxbury is a vibrant way of life; it is a prime example of Town Meeting government; government by the people, of the people and definitely with the people's best interests at heart.

Some towns are perfectly nice places in which to live. Our town is more than this. It is vitally alive and has a personal character which has been chiseled out of an adamant Yankee heritage.

As evidence of my sincerity, I submit my mortgage. I love my town.

### WHY I LIKE DUXBURY

By Sally Eaton White

From the time I was a little girl I have always loved Duxbury. Why? It is hard to put into words what one feels in one's heart. In-

stinctively, anyone who drives through our picturesque town falls in love with it.

I love Duxbury for its beauty and simplicity. Have you ever stared breathlessly at a fresh winter scene - one that reminded you of a picture you'd thought too beautiful to be real? Have you ever heard the haunting moan of the Gurnet horn while lying in your warm bed? Or have you listened to happy children splashing along the beach and realized how fortunate you are to have a winter-summer home all in one? All these and more I've experienced while living in Duxbury, each one reminding me of how I love this town regardless of the season.

I love Duxbury because it is a friendly town. No matter where one turns, one finds a friendly wave, a smile or an encouraging word. A trip to the post office or store means a welcome visit with friends.

We take pride in our town in its country atmosphere, its graceful beauty, its American heritage. Since many realize the town's unusual benefits, Duxbury is growing. As it grows, however, we will fight to maintain its cherished characteristics. Each homeowner takes personal pride in his property. Homes are freshly painted; gardens brilliant with color, trees planted to best advantage. We have kept bowling alleys, movie theatres and the like out of Duxbury because they do not fit.

My husband and I feel that here our children will be happiest. That is why we settled in Duxbury, the town we fell in love with, the town that holds a particular charm for us and our family.